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CULTURE MEETINGS IN BUCHAREST AND BULGARIA

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1. IN MEETING TODAY WITH PAO AND IO, SCINTEIA CHIEF EDITOR

A. IONESCU SAID DISCUSSIONS OF EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTY CONFERENCE

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WILL CONTINUE IN EAST BERLIN IN "EARLY OCTOBER". IONESCU MENTIONED

THAT PARTICIPANTS FROM ROMANIAN SIDE COULD BE EITHER STEFAN VOICU (CHIEF EDITOR, ERA SOCIALISTA), (FNU) CORBU (SCINTEIA DEPUTY CHIEF EDITOR), OR STEFAN ANDREI, RCP SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

2. WHEN ASKED IF RECENT BUCHAREST MEETING OF MINISTERS OF CULTURE FROM "SOCIALIST" COUNTRIES (REF A) SHOULD BE READ AS "GROUP EFFORT" TO "COORDINATE" RESPONSES TO CSCE BASKET THREE, HE REPLIED "NO". HE EMPHASIZED THAT ROMANIA WOULD REACT TO CSCE AS INDIVIDUAL SOVEREIGN STATE AND WOULD "IN NO CASE" JOIN WITH OTHERS IN RESPONDING TO PROVISIONS OF CSCE.

3. IONESCU ADDED THAT, FOLLOWING BUCHAREST MINITERIAL-LEVEL MEETING, ANOTHER DISCUSSION OF CSCE WAS HELD AT A LOWER LEVEL "IN BULGARIA", ON SPECIFICALLY HOW TO COORDINATE RESPONSES TO CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE HELSINKI DOCUMENT. HE EMPHASIZED THAT ROMANIA DID NOT TAKE PART IN THESE DISCUSSIONS AT ALL, AND THAT ALBANIA AND YUGOSLAVIA ALSO WERE ABSENT. ALL OTHER EAST EUROPEAN STATES, ACCORDING TO IONESCU, WERE REPRESENTED.
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